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On about 1 p.m. on 29 July 1953, six PT boats lay at anchor and were tied up side by side on the quay north of Oxhoeft near the former torpedo experimental station. [REDACTED] was unable to see [REDACTED] or whether they had torpedo tubes. Eight dark-hulled, crifter-type patrol vessels carrying a canvas-covered gun or heavy machine gun on their slightly raised foredeck were moored a little farther from the shore. Two of these vessels, a Pole stated, were stationed in Grommendorf (Wladyslawowo).

Former merchant ship OFOLA, which had been converted for use as a training ship, was berthed at the Poland quay in Gdynia harbor on 29 June 1953. She was marked Z.M.P. and carried no name. A Polish cadet engineer officer stated that she was used for training executive and engineer officers. Each course was attended by 50 cadet officers.

Two new submarines, which were longer than the Polish B 11 through B 13 submarines, were berthed at the new navy pier near Oxhoeft. [REDACTED] They were about 100 meters long. They had a conning tower exactly midships and no gun on the fantail. [REDACTED] the shape of the conning towers or whether they had a gun on the foredeck. The boats were unmarked and carried the Polish war design. Several Poles stated that they had been handed to the Poles by the Soviets. Polish submarines B 11 through B 13 were berthed side by side west of the two new submarines. Destroyer ELISKAWICA was farther west of the submarines and T 31 and T 33, large minesweepers, were east of the submarines. The crews seemed to be on shore leave. Numerous navy men were met in Gdynia.

[REDACTED] several Poles in the harbor and in town about destroyer BURZA, [REDACTED] that BURZA no longer existed. [REDACTED] Destroyer WIDOR, which was sunk in 1939, had been salvaged and for several months was undergoing repair in the floating dock in the Gdynia shipyard.

[REDACTED] Comment. This was probably the ship which was seen off Stilo on 20 June 1953, off Gdynia on 22 June 1953 and in the warship harbor in Helsinki on 6 July 1953. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Comment. Z.M.P. is used as the name of this ship; variations reported, Z.M.P. - OWIEC and ZETEMPOWIEC.

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